

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BALLOT QUESTION 2:
THE REGULATION AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA ACT
RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS WORKING GROUP

MEETING MINUTES

Nevada Department of Taxation
Large Conference Room
1550 College Parkway
Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Taxation
Training Room
2550 Paseo Verde Parkway, Suite 180
Henderson, Nevada

March 23, 2017
1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Wes Henderson, Chair
John Ritter, Chair
Jennifer DeLett-Snyder
Mona Lisa Samuelson
Paulina Oliver
Andrew Jolley
Vince Queano
Tommy Rayl
Karalin Cronkhite
Riana Durrett

Members Absent:

Dr. John DiMuro
Jamie Ross

I. Public Comment.

Grace Crosley, Nevadans for Informed Marijuana Regulations, commented that there is a lot of conflict between non-users and users. We do not want marijuana criminalized because of issues with the criminal justice system and we feel people should be allowed to do what they want in the privacy of their own homes. There are problems with odor control in other states, such as Colorado. Ms. Crosley asked for regulations that reduce the impact on non-users. Marijuana can have health benefits, but it is also a dangerous drug. Please discourage normalization of use, while not criminalizing. This includes prohibition on advertising, storage containers should have a discrete appearance and not promoting health benefits of the product. We would like users and non-users to coexist peacefully.

II. Introductions.

The working group was introduced.

III. Background.

Kelly Jessee reviewed background of the task force.

IV. Review of Guiding Principles.

Kelly Jessee reviewed guiding principles.

V. Review of Task Force and Working Group Timeline and Future Meeting Dates.

Kelly Jessee reviewed Task Force and working group timeline and future meeting dates.

VI. Review of Ground Rules.

Kelly Jessee reviewed ground rules.

VII. Review of Working Group Recommendation Process.

Kelly Jessee reviewed working group recommendation process.

VIII. Review of Form for Working Group Presentations to the Task Force.

Kelly Jessee reviewed the form for working group presentation to task force.

IX. Review of Retail Establishments Working Group Topics.

Jennifer DeLett-Snyder suggested adding a topic regarding promotions and retail locations.

A. Dual Use Medical and Retail

Andrew Jolley agreed with the Chairman and went on the record to say that he supports not segregating products, if possible.

Mona Lisa Samuelson will draft a recommendation regarding streamlining dispensary operational issues to eliminate restriction on the service and retail space provided for medical patients.

Riana Durrett and Paulina Oliver will draft a recommendation asking that the Nevada Legislature transfer the responsibility of regulating the Nevada medical marijuana program from the Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Taxation. The working group recommends that the Nevada Legislature enact any necessary legislation to transfer the duties, responsibilities, and budgets relating to medical marijuana from Department of Health Human Services to the Department of Taxation during the 2017 regular legislative session.

- B. Personnel
- C. Security
- D. Tracking Sales
- E. Tracking Inventory
- F. Purchase by Residents
- G. Purchase by Visitors
- H. Ownership Interest
- I. Local Government Involvement
- J. Vending Machines

- X. Review and Consideration for Approval of Agenda Items for Next Meeting.
 - A. Operations – Service (M. Samuelson and W. Henderson)
 - B. Transfer of Medical Program to Department of Taxation (R. Durrett and P. Oliver)
 - C. Inventory Tracking and Separation of Product (A. Jolley)
 - D. Dual Use Medical and Retail (R. Durrett, A. Jolley and V. Queano)

Andrew Jolley motioned to approve the working group recommendations to be submitted for the next meeting. Paulina Oliver seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

- XI. Public Comment – In consideration of others, who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes.

James Costa asked if there could be an investigation with regard to if a working group can address medical marijuana.

An unknown member of the public agrees with the recommendations that were put out at today's meeting.

Vicki Higgins thanked the group for streamlining one check out.

- XII. Adjourn at 3:02 p.m.